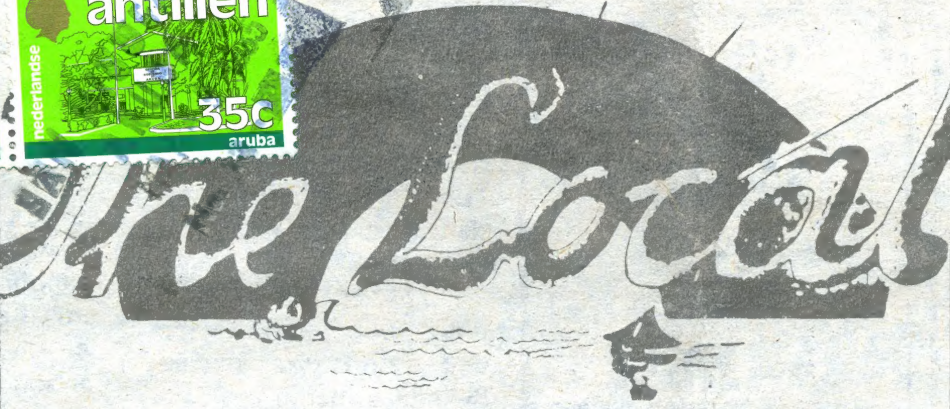


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SAN NICOLAS—A most disgraceful and sacrilegious act was committed in the Emanuel chapel in eastern San Nicolas earlier this week. The chapel was broken into and ransacked, the tabernacle was destroyed and hosts were scattered all over the floor of the small church and the cha-
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Minister Frank Rozendal

WILLEMSTAD—Minister Frank Rozendal of State structure said during a 45 minute press conference Monday that despite the fact that there are still many obstacles that must be over-before January 1 1986, the chances for the Status Aparte of Aruba

Minister Rozendal Says:
CHANCES FOR STATUS APARTE GREATER THAN EVER

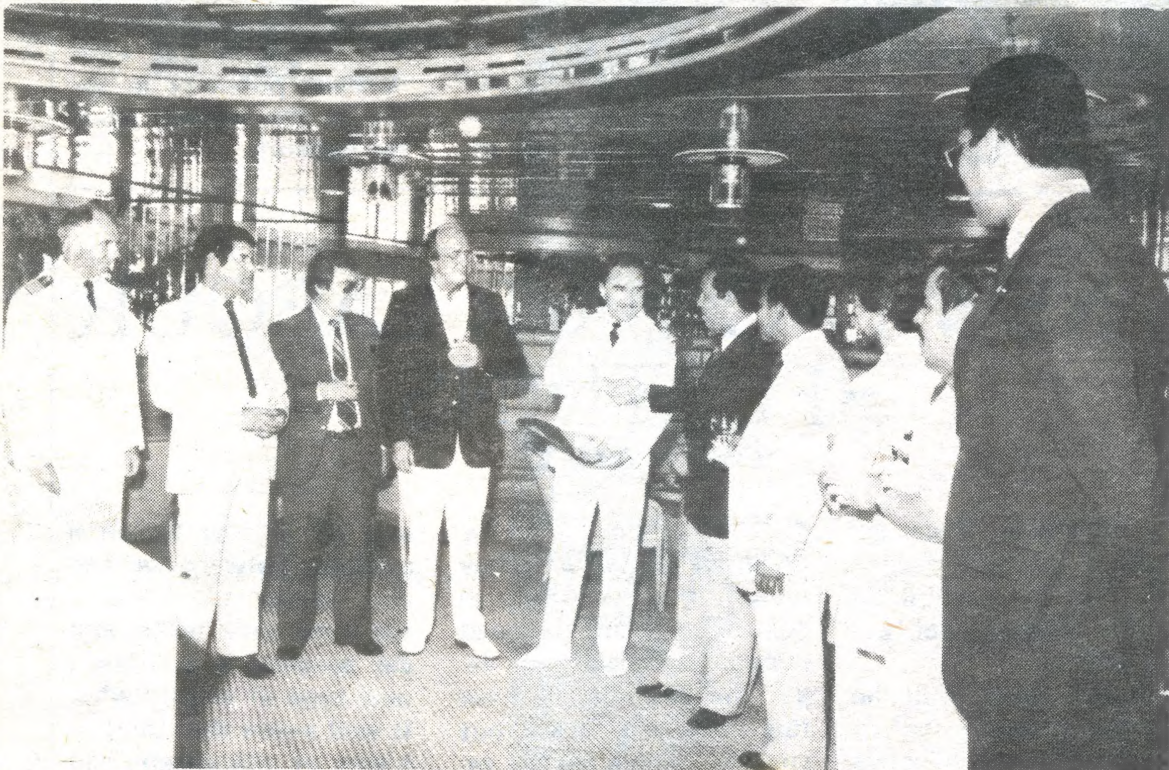
were never greater than they now are, since the consultation conference held during the weekend. But the question remains whether the smaller islands will sanction the agreements and if Holland will approve the decisions which were made between Curacao and Aruba. One of the cardinal points which is still an obstacle is the Solidarity Fund. Recently St. Maarten made a breakthrough

in the deadlock which existed for more than 2 year by promising to contribute to the fund under the condition that the islands get a smooth functioning tax collection service and an agreement be reached about its pending debts to the Central Government. Minister Rozendal said that when the Status Aparte process was started in 1983 it re-

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ESSO PETROLERA, S.A. TAKES OVER ESSO'S LOCAL MARKETING OPERATIONS

Effective May 1, 1985 the newly formed company Esso Petrolera, S.A. took over all the responsibilities related to Esso's local marketing operation in Aruba. As of this date all local pro-
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ORANJESTAD—The German cruise ship "Europa" of the Hapag Lloyd Line made her maiden call to Aruba on May 1, with 480 tourists and a crew of 300. Mr. Rafael Estrada of the Tourism Office presented a plaque to Captain Helmut Raasch on behalf of the Aruba government. Also present were: Mr. Verdaasdonk, managing director of Martijn Trading Co., agents of the ship; acting Police Commissioner, W. Kramer Gus Genser, acting director of Aruba Ports Authority, Mato Harms of Martijn Trading Co., Jacobo Gavidia of A.P.A. and Mr. Antonio Leo of the Tourism Office.



ORANJESTAD—The American couple, James and Susanne Ridgway visited Aruba in December and fell in love with the island. The Ridgways are the owners of a company that manufactures banners, posters, pins etc. After returning to the States they designed a wind banner in the colors of the Aruban flag. Windbanners are very popular in the U.S. and are used as decorations on festive occasions. The couple returned to Aruba this week and presented an Aruba windbanner to Mr. Atan Lee, president of the flag and them committee.

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Village Talk



by WILLY

Dees fellas who sellin' fish is something else. A lady tell Willy dat dey don't even scale de fish when yuh buy it from dem. She say dat dey does slice up de fish wid de scale on an den how dey want she to hold a slice ah fish to scale it?

A fella tell Willy dat St. Martin is a free fo' all

country. He say fo' de carnival everybody was sellin' likker. He say a lotta rippin' off went on too. He say a old lady tell he "Lawd Mister hotong, no carnival is only one toim fo' de year."

Willy wondah ho come dey didn't give Madam Swinda a medal too. Every year fo' de queen bud day she does have games fo' de village children dem!!

A lady ask Willy ef dey don't clean de sidewalks dem no more. She say de grass on de sidewalk in front she door so high dat she got to jump ovah it.

Willy hear dat all de fellas dem who use to mek

old stoil bouk only whisky dey does drink, now all ah dem drinkin' rum

Well people could tink on things. A fella say dat now dey don't have to supply Lago wid watta so now dey got plenty watta he say dey don't have to supply Lago wid current so now dey got plenty current. He say when yuh got plenty ah something it does be more cheaper but now we still got to pay so much fo' lite an' watta??

Well wha' goin on in dis place. Willy hear dat a fella shoot dong a joygriol in Barahona an he tell de poles dat he do if fo' smak.

Editor's Corner

VANDALISM

There are certain people on the island who apparently derive pleasure from destroying the property of others. On several occasions we have received complains from the owners of business places that the sign on their establishment has been damaged or destroyed. Many of those signs are neon display lights and are very expensive. We also heard complaints from bar and snackbar owners that teenagers willfully destroy their jukeboxes and gaming machines. Public telephones are also often the victims of the vandals. In the early part of the year rainfall was unusually heavy. The results are that much grass and weeds have grown profusely all over the island, since the rain stopped the hot sunshine has dried the grass and weeds. This week a resident of northern San Nicolas told us that he is living under tension and is constantly on the alert due to the fact that on two occasions a group of teenage boys set the grass close to his home on fire. Another often heard complaint from motorists is that groups of boys on bicycles without lights ride around at night putting their lives and the lives of others in danger. They are not only a traffic hazard but are also hazardous for pedestrians. Such acts of vandalism are disgraceful and a menace to the community and it is the duty of everyone to report them to the authorities concerned.

Minister Rozendall

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ceived the blessing of all the parties concerned, therefore now that we are confronted with the consequences of that agreement the task must be completed without any backtracking. One question that must be answered before the Status Aparte of Aruba is who will be defined as an Aruban and who as an Antillean. Minister Rozendall stressed the point that as of January 1, 1986, Aruba will be a separate country

in the Netherlands Kingdom and the Antilles of 5 will also be a separate country in the Netherlands Kingdom. When one of the journalists present at the press conference

asked if in the event the Status Aparte is not successful and Aruba wants to return to the Netherlands Antilles constellation, Mr. Rosendall replied "the question is if the Antilles of 5 would want Aruba back."

WATHEY TO SUE DUTCH NEWSPAPER



CLAUDE WATHEY
PHILIPSBUURG—The leader of the Democratic

Party of St. Maarten, Mr. Claude Wathey, said Tuesday that he has made contact with a lawyer in Holland to file a law suit against the Dutch newspaper "De Telegraaf" for publishing slanderous remarks about him in its edition of April 23, claiming that he is involved in organized prostitution and the transport of illegal residents from St. Maarten to the U.S. mainland. The Dutch journalist based his story on an article which appeared last month in "Le Matin", a French newspaper, stating that 28 prostitutes from the Dominican Republic died of suffocation in container in which they were being transported from St. Maarten to St. Thomas in the Virgen Island. The story, which was later said to be a false rumor, caused a sensation in the Caribbean and even received publicity in some of the world's reputed network.

A NEW FACE FOR LABOUR RELATIONS

By Observer

(The following article appeared in a recent issue of ILO information, a bulletin of the International Labour Office)
Economic recession in the industrial countries is changing the face of collective bargaining. Redundancies and plant shutdowns create a harsher negotiating climate for trade unions and employers with a profound impact on industrial relations. In the United King-

dom the unions are on the defensive; in Belgium they are uncertain as to how to cope with their straitened circumstances, and in Japan the union organization rate has been slowly but steadily decreasing in recent years. Combined effects
The study on the United Kingdom reports that "structural changes in industry which are reducing the size of employment u-

nits are leading to better relations between workers and managers," while at the same time technological advance is creating a new type of worker who is well aware that the problems of adjustment cannot be served by Luddite methods. It points out, however, that there is resistance on the part of union leaders whose power is weaker

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ANTILLEAN GOVERNMENT SEEKING INVESTORS

WILLEMSTAD— Through the cabinet of the minister Plenipotentiary in Holland the Government of the Netherlands Antilles has stated publishing "Nieuwbrief Industrial" a bi-monthly newsletter with information on industrial topics to awaken the interest of investors, explaining the priorities that will be given to reach to the creation of the combination of a progressive climate, an attractive tax system and the interesting possibilities of export from the Antilles to the United States. The Antillean in the Hague published a "Flyer" which for the first time was delivered during the Caribbean Basin Seminar on November 19 in the congress building in The Hague. Mr. R.A.M. Sorton was appointed Commissioner of Promotion of Industry so that contacts can be attended to rapidly and commercially. The "Flyer" gives

information about the commercial sectors and enterprises. In principle all enterprises which specialize in export affairs with high quality products, with minor possible effects of pollution will given priority. The value of the Antillean currency is coupled to the U.S. dollar, one dollar is 1.80 florin. The population of the Antilles is 232 thousand people of whom 99 percent are educated, many on university, technical and vocational levels. In the many attractive aspects for establishing in the Antilles is interesting possibility of joint ventures and license contracts.

Educative Subsidy
If it becomes necessary to educate the local labor force, the government will procure subsidy for such education.

Tax Freedom
The Antillean Government will offer tax freedom to enterprises who want to establish in the

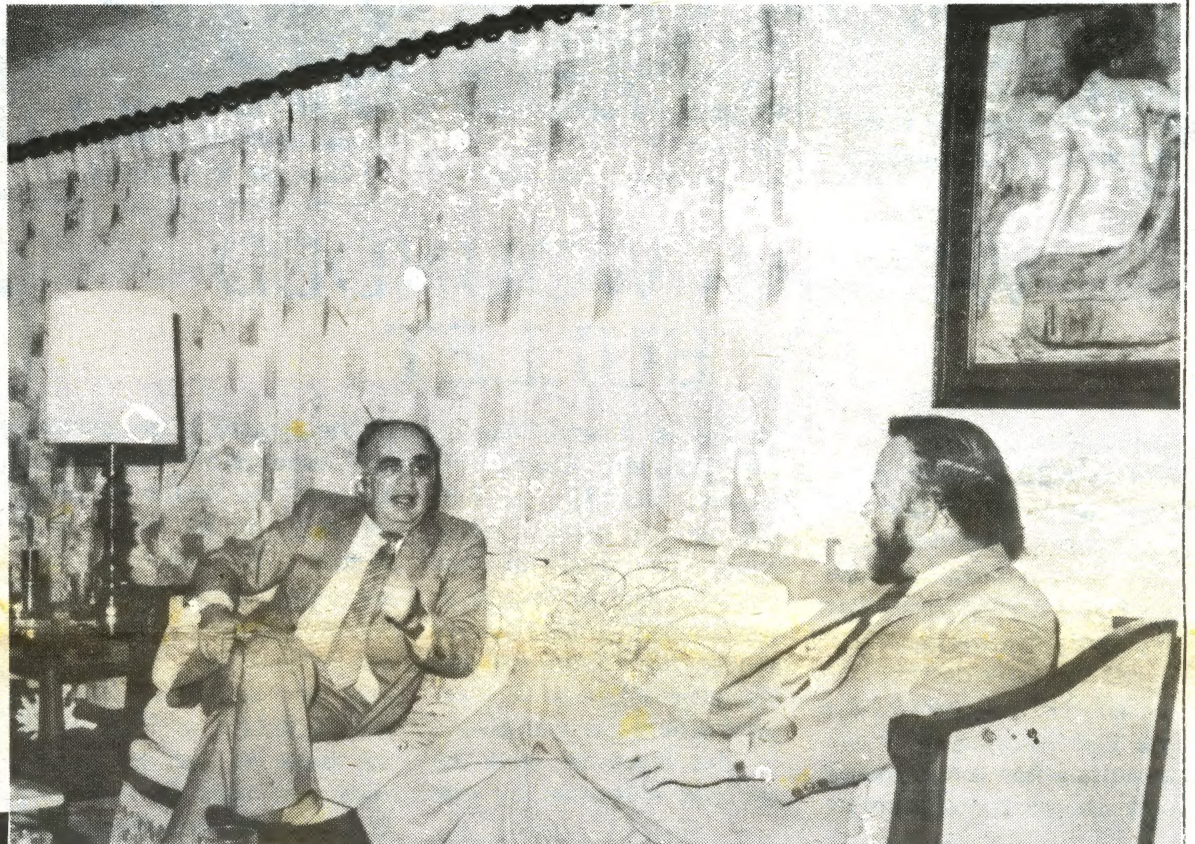
Netherlands Antilles if they intend to import raw material.

Geographic Situation
The central position of the Antilles makes the production and distribution of goods more valuable. The favorable climate

of the Antilles should also be considered.

Import to the U.S.
A very favorable factor is that through the Caribbean Basin Initiative (CBI) the Antilles can offer tax free imports to the U.S. The islands of Aruba, Bo-

naire and Curacao also have free zones. The flyer informs that enterprises already established in Curacao are the Amstel Brewery, Continental Milling Exxon, Shell Oil, Thomasen & Drijver, Schlumberger, International Salt Co.



ORANJESTAD— The General Advisor to the Executive Council, Mr. Betico Croes met recently with Dr. Yaacov Cohen, Ambassador of Israel in Caracas, Venezuela. Dr. Cohen also met with Deputy Milton Henriquez, Drs. Humphrey van Trikt, head of D.E.C.O., Eng. Vrolijk, head of L.V.V. director of the Chamber of Commerce.



ORANJESTAD— Mr. Leslie Tweebom, branch manager of Xerox Antilliana Aruba presented two tickets to the runners Lia Meelis and Willy Willems, winners of the "Boulevard race 1985" organized by I.D.E.F.R.E. The runners participate in the "Xerox 10 km Loop" on May 5 in Curacao. Also present were Mr. Roy van Putten, director of I.D.E.F.R.E. and Mr. Jerry Gomes, coordinator of the Boulevard race.

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with airconditioning, valued at fls. \$,000. Second prize: 1985 one Toyota Corona, 4 doors, DLX standard, with airconditioner, valued at fls. \$,592. Third prize: one 1985 Toyota Corolla

4 doors, DLX standard, with airconditioner, valued at Fls. \$,673. The drawing will take place on June 14, 1985. During the sale of the lottery the 3 cars will be parked on the above-mentioned parking lot.



ORANJESTAD—Mr. Hubert Natividad de Lange was promoted to prison warden A class. In picture: Mr. de Lange (third from left) and his colleagues, F. Tromp, A. Gomez J. Hart, and S. U. Tromp

WOMAN WOUNDED BY BULLET

SAN NICOLAS—About 5.30 Sunday morning the police in San Nicolas were informed that there was a shooting incident in the Ruysdaelstraat popularly known as "Barahona". An investigation revealed that a group of people was standing in front a house when a car passed and one of the occupants

of the car fired a shot at the people; a Dominican woman identified as F.P. fell to the ground after being wounded in her chest by the bullet, she was rushed to the medical center in a private car and was later taken to the hospital where she was placed in the intensive care. The car was identified by one

of the persons in the group and about 6.30 the police arrested the owner of the car B.L. at his home in O'stad, a 26 caliber pistol was found in the house. After being interrogated by the police B.L. disclosed that two brothers, T.M. (24 and A.M. (17) of Rooi Bosal were in the car with him and that T.M. fired the shot. The brothers were arrested and T.M. admitted that he fired the shot which wounded the Dominican woman. He reported to the police that he did it "for kicks".

New York Nurses Convention in Aruba

Palm Beach—The Licensed Practical Nurses & Technicians of New York Inc. (300) are holding their Annual Convention in Aruba and will be staying at the Hotel Holiday Inn of Aruba during the period of May 15, 1985 till May 24, 1985

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will be 34 square meters and outside there will be a restaurant and bar on 56 square meters and a terrace of 226 square meters. Visitors to the

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various ethnic backgrounds singing "We Are the World" in their native language. The all star recording of Michael Jackson and Lionel Richie's hit has already brought in more than \$15 million for African relief. Child stars

Lisa Bonet ("The Cosby Show") and Lara Miller ("Gimme a Break") have agreed to participate and the producers are hoping for cameo appearances by Jackson and Richie.

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famous hotel chain. The fiesta is the most popular in the travel and tourist industry and attracted more than 500 members of the industry to the Copacabana nightclub in New York. Mr. Herman Gehr, General Manager of the Aruba Concorde and director of sales, Mr. Marco Antonio Wix were the hosts for Aruba at the fiesta;

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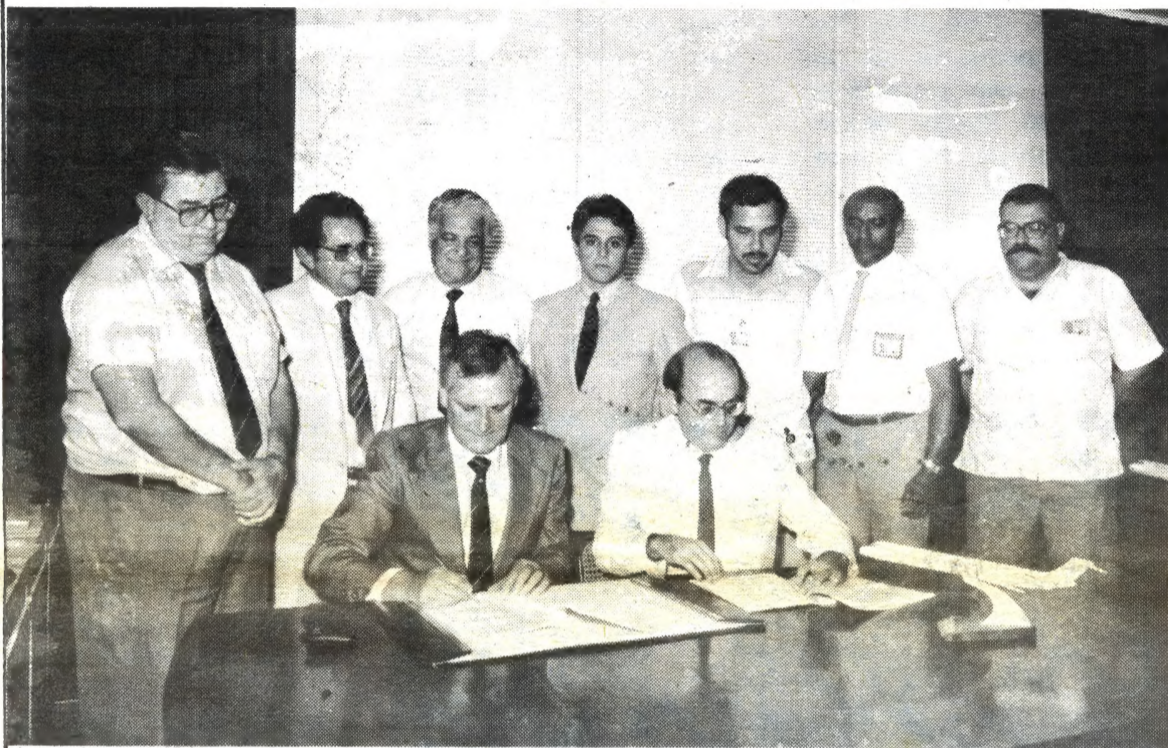
tendance June 9-14, for
this year's Caribbean Ho-
tel Industry Conference

(Chic '85), scheduled for
Nassau-Cable Beach-Para-
dise Island in the Baha-
mas. Theme of the confe-
rence is "Teamwork in
Tourism". According to
Aaron Rubenstein, chair-
man of CHIC '85 and pre-
sident of the Bahamas
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A.L.M. SIGNED CONTRACT WITH VASP OF BRAZIL



WILLEMSTAD—A.L.M. and VASP dignitaries sign agreement. Sitting, Mr. Patrick McNamara, A.L.M. manager and Sub Director of VASP, Pompilio Mercadente, Nero Standing from left to right: Mr. Arturo Jesurun, Sub Director of A.L.M., Acir Luis Padilla, advisor to the VASP director, Juancho Anasagasti, head of the sales department of A.L.M. Fernando Jose Fernandes, VASP jurist, and other A.L.M. functionaries: Cesar Prince, Nelso Isenia and Johan Beaujon.

WILLEMSTAD—
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airline signed an agree-
ment on April 26; The a-
greement of cooperation
is that both airlines will
promote the traffic of
passengers and cargo on
the respective destina-
tions of each other. VASP
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lia, Belo Horizonte Rio, de
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leza, Belem and Manaus.
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thing will never be in short supply - advice from every quarter on how to raise that child. However when it comes right down to it, who is responsible for the raising and equipping of that child for life? Yes, you as a parent are responsible. No one can be as good or take the place of you effectively. Therefore, you as parents are responsible for the good of your child, which you yourselves have brought into the world. Now you ask, "Who am I responsible to do as you just said?" The governments of the world are demanding certain things from parents as well as society

but there is One higher than all of these who has made demands on parents from the beginning. We read about Him in the Bible and what God has told us to do for our children. We are responsible to God for our children because He is the one that gave them to us in the first place, no matter what we or others have done to make children possible for parents. We have pointed out in previous article that parents according to God, are the great teachers of their children. Even though we may go to a church that teaches the bible and they are grounded in the morality the Bible sets forth, yet parents are the greatest teachers of their children. That does not remove from the parents the responsibility for teaching Biblical principles

to their children. As Dr. Harold J. Sala says in Guidelines for Living (no. 18 13). "If I fail as a parent to provide a Biblical foundation for my children, first of all, I am denying them the very basis of right and wrong. How do you teach a child right from wrong without recognizing spiritual values and principles which come from the Bible itself? There is no valid basis for morality apart from responsibility to God. The Bible not only teaches that man is responsible for his deeds, including the task of parenting, whether it is good or bad. We are given a strong dose of secular humanism which denies the basis of morality and ethics. Who then is to decide what is right or wrong? When we deny the foun-

ation which the Bible alone gives us we have no standard for our personal ethics or morality. Then, when we deny this foundation to our children, we are sending them into the world without a basis for making moral or ethical decisions and they are at the mercy of secular humanism which teaches whatever is right at the moment is right. Also the great questions of life, such as, "Who am I? Where am I going? Why am I here? are left without an adequate answer which comes from God alone. Despite all the advances of science and philosophy they still cannot give us the answers to the basic questions of life. Those come from our Creator who has left His guidelines for living for us in His word, The Bible. We see therein that God has not forsaken us or left us to shift for ourselves, but has provided every thing, even a plan for our lives. Another lack in the home, according to Dr. Sala, is the blending of sexual identity into one. The masculinity of men and the femininity of women is clearly taught in the Bible. God created man and women and told man he was to leave his father and mother to unite with his wife and they should be one flesh in marriage. We also find in the Bible that sex in marriage is a personal commitment between two individuals and this is blessed of God. The last result of the missing foundation in homes is education is not complete education that comes from the knowledge of the Bible, God's textbook on living and life itself. We read in Proverbs "The fear of Jehovah is the beginning (chief part) of knowledge; but the foolish despite wisdom and instruction... For Jehovah giveth wisdom; out of His mouth cometh knowledge and understanding. He layeth up sound wisdom for the upright; he is a shield to them that walk in integrity; that He may guard the paths of justice and preserve the way of His saints". (1:7; 2:5-8)

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Where U.S. and Russia joined forces

TORGAU, East Germany (NEA) — When President Reagan set about planning his trip to Germany, he and conservative West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl were trying not to offend Germans sensitive about the 40th anniversary of the Allied defeat of the Nazis.

While Reagan's plan to visit a cemetery where members of the Nazi SS are buried was backfiring in the West, another commemoration was taking place in this small East German city on the Elbe River about 65 miles south of Berlin.

It dramatized how differently the United States and the Soviet Union view the nation they defeated 40 years ago.

The Torgau ceremonies, which attracted hundreds of Americans and thousands of others, celebrated a brief period when many dreamed that one legacy of the horrors of World War II would be peace. This is where Americans and Russians linked in friendship in the final days of the fight against Germany. By most accounts, the Soviet and U.S. soldiers were delighted to see each other. Most must have hoped that their wartime alliance would continue for an era of lasting peace.

The April 25 event at Torgau this year took place because a small



FIRST U.S. and Soviet troops to meet in Germany at the Elbe River in 1945 shook hands across a wrecked bridge. Their historic meeting 40 years ago signaled the defeat of Nazi Germany by the Allied powers.

group of Americans, many of them veterans, believed the world should hear the message of Torgau again.

They were supported by the Soviet and East German governments that profess to believe VE Day was a day of liberation for the German people.

Forty years ago it was chaotic as Americans and Russians met at the Elbe when they overran Germany, says John Gilman of Milwaukee who was in Torgau.

Gilman recalls that shots rang out from both sides of the river. He says that Germans, anxious to surrender to the Americans instead of the Russians, tried to swim west across the river.

When his division met the Russians up-river from Torgau, Gilman says, the soldiers from both nations "just had a fish dinner together."

In Torgau, members of the U.S. 69th Infantry Division did more than break bread with the Russians. The story goes that together the troops made a pledge. The pledge was the work of an American soldier named Joe Polowsky, who spoke Russian. After seeing a little German girl dead on the river bank, a doll in one hand and her dead mother's hand in the other, he was apparently moved to vow with the Russians that such things should never happen again.

Some insist there actually was a pledge. Others say it is more intangible, and that Polowsky only wrote it down sometime later.

But struggling to make the pledge a reality became Polowsky's life work. He visited Torgau for other post-war observances. Before he died of cancer in 1983, he requested that he be buried here. That final wish was granted. In Torgau last month Polowsky was mentioned often. During the speeches, his son, Ted, stood clasping a bouquet of daffodils.

Torgau is a 1,000-year-old town where Martin Luther's wife is buried. Like most East German cities in recent weeks, it was bedecked with posters hailing the defeat of "Hitler Fascism," and the 40th birthday of

the German Democratic Republic. Some posters proclaimed: "Thank you Soviet Union." And a popular photograph showed a young Russian soldier hugging a small child.

The East German government wanted people to come to Torgau. One report said there were more international reporters here than at any other event in the history of the G.D.R. These reporters were often kept at a distance from the participants in the activities, particularly from Russian veterans.

The government wanted the people of Torgau to show up as well. And they did. Thousands stood outside for hours on a day that alternated between cold and rainy, and simply cold.

They filled the square in front of the memorial marking the meeting place on the Elbe, many carrying posters and placards. Some called simply for peace, but others declared, "We support Gorbachev's peace proposals," or "Long live Proletarian International — Out with the atomic missiles from Western Europe."

There is little way of knowing how many Torgau residents were at the ceremonies because they wanted to be and how many because they had to be. But many gave the impression of, if not being delighted, at least not minding very much. They applauded the speeches, including those by Americans. Later, many people visited the Soviet cemetery and laid flowers, some from their own gardens, on the muddy graves of Russian soldiers.

The speeches at Torgau were largely official statements from Russians and East Germans, including a message of greeting from Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev. The Reagan administration decided to boycott the event after a U.S. Army major, Arthur D. Nicholson Jr., was killed in March by a Soviet sentry in East Germany.

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Special Mother's Day Program At Brazil

BRAZIL— The "Brazil Neighborhood Center" has organized a special program dedicated to all mothers on Sunday, May 12, Mother's Day, from 2 to 10 p.m. The program will include 'Mariachi Nacional,' 'Glo-

ria" barrel organ (tingiligi box), Palisia Dance Group and Conhunto ' "Buchi y su grupo" and

many more. There will also be the election of mother of Brazil Neighborhood Center.

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lice was stolen. This shameful act shocked Roman Catholics and Roman Catholics throughout the island. It is hoped that the authorities catch the person or persons who are responsible and deal with them severely.

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A NEW FACE FOR LABOR RELATIONS ...Cont from page 2

ning and whose organisations are contracting under the combined effects of new technology and social, economic and political change. Moreover, such resistance is encountering stiffer reactions from employers who are "no longer reluctant to use the law against unions refusing to accept the need for change". Future prospects for collective bargaining in the UK include important changes at enterprise level. The study says that employers are responding to rising pressures from their

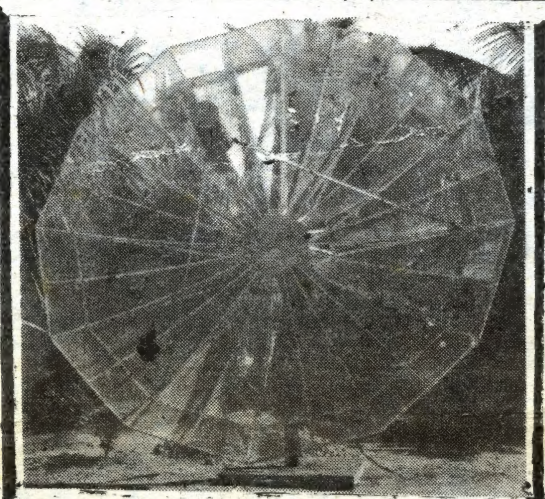
employees for more consultation and information outside the collective bargaining process. This is already taking place, not only through formal committees, but also through briefing groups, departmental meetings, working parties and quality circles, while "the unions are still overwhelmingly concerned with securing improvements in pay and reducing hours of work through collective bargaining".
Wages Limit
In a preemptive move to support its austerity pro-

gramme, the Belgian government has severely limited the freedom to negotiate on wages. But the Belgian study comments that "in another sense it has given a fillip to collective bargaining by obliging management and labour to negotiate on the reduction of working time and hiring of new employees in an attempt to increase employment". While this wage restraint means that workers have foregone income amounting to around 2.5 percent of earnings in 1983 and 1984, the government has stipulated that employers must use the resulting savings to increase employment. However, in Belgium because the economic crisis has highlighted differences between regions, sectors and enterprises, collective bargaining in the future will probably be

more decentralised than before, the study predicts. While control of labour costs and creation of employment will continue to be key issues in Belgium's collective bargaining, "it is likely to be some time before major inter-industry agreements regain their former prominence."
Plant level
Japan, more than other industrial countries, has managed to adjust to radically altered circumstances without suffering from insistent inflation, large-scale unemployment or major industrial action over dismissals. Its success in balancing wage increases against productivity has obviated the need for an incomes policy, the Japanese study says. Most collective bargaining in Japan is conducted at the plant level

between an enterprise union and the management. Moreover, the study adds, top managers in Japan regard lower-grade employees as junior members of the enterprise with a common stake in the future. In such a context, relations between management and the unions "tend to be more co-operative and positive". Enterprise bargaining will

not, however, be effective in solving wider problems brought on by structural change or the rapid ageing of the labour force in Japan, the study warns. "These problems are mostly beyond the reach of enterprise collective bargaining" and can only be handled on an industry-wide or nation-wide scale.



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Police officers plead innocent to torture charges

NEW YORK CITY (UPI) — Five police officers pleaded innocent today to charges of torturing drug suspects with electric stun guns and beating them with blackjacks in a New York police station that has become known as the "Torture Precinct."

The five officers face eight indictments with a total of 28 counts including assault, possession of a dangerous weapon, coercion, official misconduct and conspiracy. The judge dismissed one count.

Lieutenant Stephen Cheswick, Sergeant Richard Pike — dubbed by the press as the

"Prince of Pain" and officers Jeffrey Gilbert, Michael Aranda and Loren McCary surrendered to detectives at the District Attorney's office without speaking to reporters.

The officers have been suspended without pay from the 106th Precinct in the New York borough of Queens, which was dubbed the "Torture Precinct" after five suspects charged last week that police burned their bodies with the stun guns to force confessions. The officers were not authorized to use the stun guns.

All five defendants pleaded

innocent at their arraignment before State Supreme Court Justice John Gallagher, who released them on their own recognizance.

The charges ranged from using an electric stun gun on suspects to beating with black-

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The Americans who spoke at Torgau were veterans. One, Bob Beswick of the Fighting 69th, told the crowd that 60 division veterans had come to Torgau to place wreaths in memory of all who had died in the area. He added, "Our other principal purpose is to renew old friendships with our Soviet friends ... and to make new friendships with you German people today and to make it an everlasting peace."

For the veterans this was partially a reunion, and partially an opportunity to honor Polowsky's work.

Many Americans came to Torgau believing they could make a difference, they could help force leaders to let the world live in peace.

To air their message, they came to a country most Americans view as a walled fortress — a place passports and visas are checked relentlessly — and took part in ceremonies Russian leaders believed would make the Soviet Union look good.

Despite all the Russian propaganda, the news from Torgau seemed more encouraging than the news of the furor from Washington and Bonn. Perhaps that is because for a moment — however fleeting — in April 1945 Torgau really was a place of hope.

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hotel associations from around the Caribbean will participate in the conference, notes John Bell, executive vice president of CHA. A distinguished list of speakers will include Dr. Henry Kissinger, 56th U.S. Secretary of State and winner of the 1973 Nobel Peace Prize. Dr. Kissinger will give the keynote address on Monday morning June 10. Opening ceremonies will include address by Rt. Hon. Sir Lynden Pindling, prime minister of the Commonwealth of the Bahamas, and The Hon. Clement T. Maynard, minister of tourism and foreign affairs for the Bahamas.

Other featured speakers among some 40 participating spokespersons from around the globe will include: James Flannery, chief executive, Irish Hotels Federation; Preston Robert Tisch, chairman of the board, Loews Hotels; Dr. Robert Lorber, co-author of the book "Putting the one minute manager to work"; Anthony Marshall, dean of the school of Hospitality Management at Florida International University; and Joseph Garzilli, president of Flyfaire, Inc. Seminars will cover such topics as: resorts of the future, hotel design, effective advertising the changing demand of today's tourist and the marketing of the Caribbean in the future. CHIC '85 will also be the site of a trade exposition for delegates. Business executives representing close to 100 companies will be exhibiting their products and services during the course of the conference and one-to-one dialogue will be encouraged. Among the special awards to be accorded at CHIC '85 will be Hotelier of the year, Supervisor of the year and Employee of the year honors.

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In addition, the 1985 CHA/Hotel & Travel Index Advertising Awards will be presented for advertising excellence in trade and consumer media, hotel directories and brochures. Special both formal and informal are being scheduled through the combined on-island efforts of the Bahamas Ministry of Tourism, Bahamas Hotel Association, Nassau/Paradise Island Promotion Board, as well as the Paradise Island Hotel & Casino and other hotel properties. The social events will include a cocktail cruise to

Cable Beach followed by a starlight reception and dinner at the Cable Beach Hotel & Casino; "An Evening in Paradise" dinner and show at Le Cabaret Theatre at Paradise Island Resort; and a gala cocktail reception and banquet in the ballroom of Britannia

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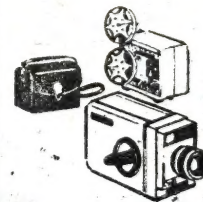


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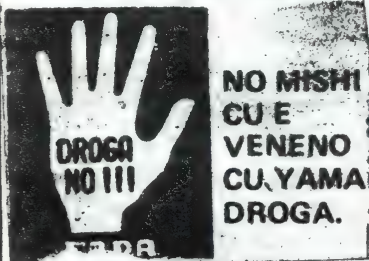
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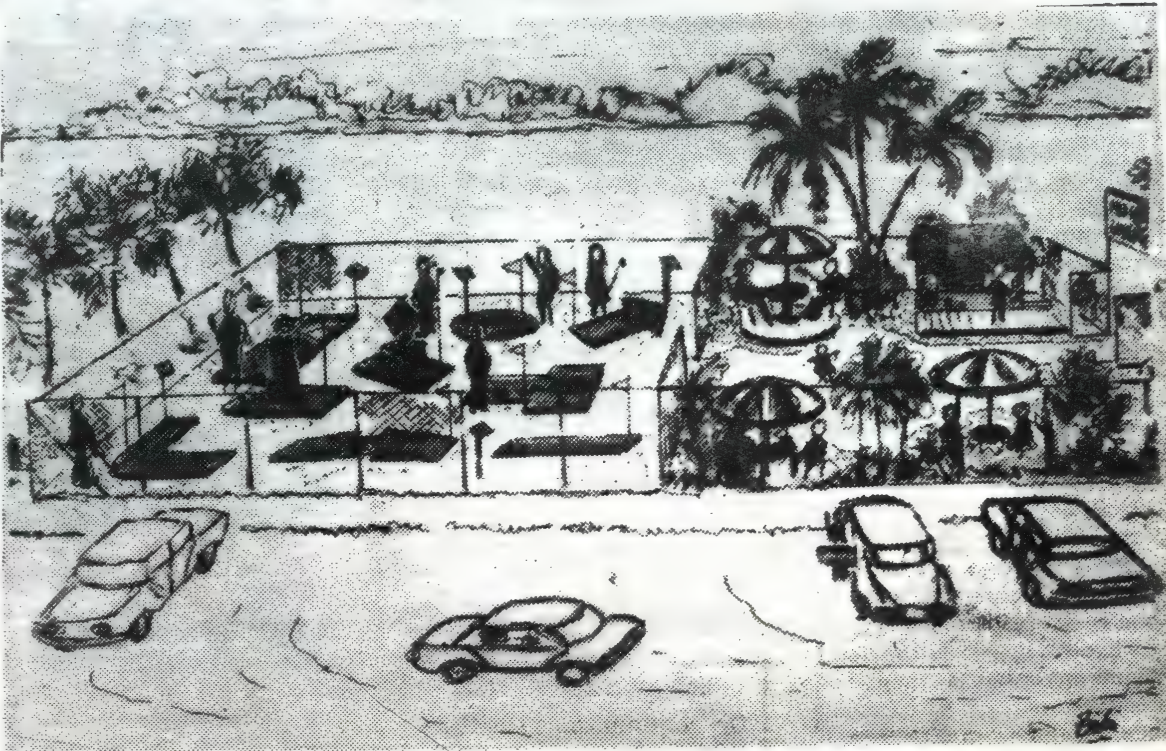
ORANJESTAD— A delegation of Netherlands Antilles Jaycees, consisting of 17 Jaycee members from Aruba, Bonaire, Curacao, Saba, St. Eustatius and St. Maarten left Tuesday for the Bahamas

to attend the Area-E conference. One of the leading themes of the conference

is "North-South" cooperation through young people" whereby emphasis will be placed on: economic development, environment protection and leadership for peace. The Area-E consists of: Belize, Bahamas, Canada, Bermuda, the Netherlands Antilles, the West Indies and the United States.



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O'STAD—A miniature golf course is approaching its completion near Surfside, just West of the Nephthali Henriquez play ground. The owners of

this project of over \$100,000 are Sandra C.

Natrillo and Louise Rinaldi from Connecticut, U.S.A., it is being built

by Arubaanse Wegbouwmijs, and will have an area of 1000 square meters. When it's finished around 50 to 75 persons can be playing on the course at the same time. Miniature golf can be played by people of all ages and financial levels. One needs no specific talents or special training to enjoy the game, it is very easy to play. The manager of Island Golf will be Ms. Suzette Wernet, assisted by Ms. Vivian Wever. When Island Golf is in full swing, it will employ around 6 people. The official opening will be in June.

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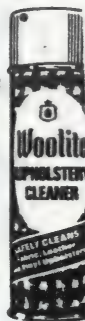
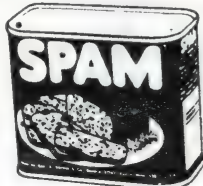
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The war in Vietnam ended 10 years ago. By dawn on April 30, 1975, communist forces began moving into Saigon following the collapse of the U.S.-backed government. It took the largest helicopter evacuation on record to remove more than 1,000 Americans and nearly 6,000 Vietnamese.

The Vietnam War defies description. It was certainly America's longest war, lasting from 1945 to 1975 or counting only the time American combat troops were involved, from 1965 to 1973.

It was the first war America lost, though because of superior U.S. firepower and mobility it won virtually every battle.

It was the first war brought into the family living room by television.

For the soldiers, or grunts, who fought it, it was a war maddeningly without front lines, against an enemy who often wore civilian clothes, and it had no clear objective other than the "body count." By those cold numbers, it cost the lives of 57,939 Americans, \$150 billion in U.S. military spending and produced 4 million killed or wounded Vietnamese on both sides, a 10th of the population of North and South Vietnam.

It was also the most divisive conflict for Americans since the Civil War and perhaps the most misunderstood war in American history.

The Vietnam War was so frustrating and baffling and stirred such embittered passion on all sides in the United States, that with the signing of the Paris Peace Accords and the withdrawal of the last U.S. forces in 1973, Americans went into a trance of collective amnesia.

Even before the final collapse of the Saigon government in 1975, Americans somehow resolved simply to forget Vietnam. Returning veterans were treated as pariahs. Unlike the fall of Nationalist China to Mao Tse-tung in 1949, there were no post-war recriminations, no blame for who lost Vietnam.

But now, a decade later, Vietnam has quietly made the transition from controversial public issue to history, and gradually a better understanding of the war is emerging, based on new scholarship. It is now possible to see that the war was more complex, more morally ambiguous, than either the doves or hawks maintained.

Indeed, Vietnam was a war nobody won. North Vietnam achieved a military triumph, of course. But in "liberating" South Vietnam the communists themselves have become at least as corrupt and repressive as the regime they overthrew; they have impoverished both halves of the country through economic mismanagement and they have driven hundreds of thousands of their compatriots to flee by boat, an exodus unprecedented in Vietnam's long tragic history of warfare.

With the benefit of hindsight and the new scholarship, some facts about the war now emerge more clearly.

Although most Americans were

FOX BUTTERFIELD, who covered the war in Vietnam, is a veteran U.S. journalist.

unaware of it at the time, U.S. involvement really began in 1945 at the end of World War II with President Truman's decision to back



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France's reconquest of its former colony, Vietnam.

Each succeeding president then made a further commitment, narrowing the choices for his successor. Eisenhower helped empower Ngo Dinh Diem as South Vietnam's first leader after the 1954 Geneva agreement ended France's rule. Kennedy stepped up the number of American advisers — and, by sanctioning the coup which led to Diem's death in 1973, increased America's sense of involvement. Johnson made the fate-

ful decisions in 1965 to begin bombing North Vietnam and despatch U.S. troops to the south.

Paradoxically, none of these presidents had a plan to win the war. They were trapped between their fear of being blamed for the fall of Vietnam and widening the war so much it might bring in China or the Soviet Union.

So each did only the minimum necessary not to lose it during his tenure in the White House. The nibbled the bullet rather than bit it.

The strategic initiative was left to Hanoi, which calculated that in a war of attrition, America would eventual-

ly lose patience. Much of this might have been avoided if Americans had realized Vietnam had a 2,000-year history of battling for its independence against China, France and Japan and that for many Vietnamese, Ho Chi Minh was the legitimate inheritor of this tradition. The Saigon government never had this appeal to nationalism.

But it is also clearer now that, much as Washington claimed, Hanoi was instrumental in organizing the Vietcong in the south and began infiltrating regular North Vietnamese army units into the south in 1964, before Johnson sent U.S. troops there.

The critical turning point in the war may have been the communists' Tet Offensive in 1968. We now know that Hanoi expected it would cause the collapse of Saigon. In fact, the opposite happened.

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Community workers defend accused police officers

NEW YORK CITY (UPI) — Queens leaders rallied at a Queens New York City stationhouse known as "The Torture Precinct" today in support of five officers charged with racism and torturing suspects with stun guns to force confessions.

The civic leaders from communities in the 106th Precinct charged wholesale transfers resulting from the scandal had hurt neighborhood police protection.

"They knew the area," said Bob Brandofino, head of the South Ozone Park Civic Association.

"They were starting to come out of their police cars and walk the beat. Now they are taking them away. Who the hell are we going to have? they've gotten rid of the people who knew the area; who knew the hoodlums; who knew who to watch."

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By finally exposing themselves in open battle, the communists suffered over 50,000 killed, a disastrous military defeat, as General William C. Westmoreland claimed. But the

ferocity of the communist attack stunned Americans, who had been led to believe they were winning, and it greatly undermined remaining popular support for the war at home.

In the aftermath of Tet, President Johnson announced he would not run for re-election and halted further escalation of the war.

Ironically, in the period after Tet the United States finally began to make progress in the war.

Militarily the local Vietcong were largely wiped out, while the North Vietnamese who came south to replace them were battered. Politically, the regime of President Nguyen Van Thieu proved more stable than its predecessors. And economically, American spending helped create a new affluence for many South Vietnamese. By 1970, 90 percent of the countryside was officially "pacified," compared with only 33 percent in 1965, a crude though significant index.

But the American public had tired of the war, liberals believing it was immoral, conservatives that it was unwinnable.

With increasing domestic pressure to end the war, President Nixon in 1973 agreed to what turned out to be little more than a face-saving formula for withdrawal — the Paris Peace Accords. The POWs came back, but North Vietnam did not have to remove its troops from the south.

With the settlement, American interest in Vietnam rapidly waned.

Congress cut back steeply on U.S. aid to Saigon; and the problems of corruption and incompetence which had long plagued the South Vietnamese were accentuated.

In 1975, Saigon collapsed in panic after a communist attack that was intended only to be preliminary to a full scale offensive a year later.

A decade later, the trauma of Vietnam is still with us. It has created doubts about U.S. power and how and when to use it.

But the lessons of Vietnam are unclear. What should have been done?

Perhaps the one clear message is that the United States cannot go to war without popular support, as retired General Frederick C. Weyand, the last American commander in Vietnam, once wrote.

"There is no such thing as a splendid little war," he said. "War is death and destruction.... The Army must have the price of involvement clear before we get involved, so that America can weigh the probable cost of involvement against the dangers of non-involvement. For there are worse things than war."

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Rounding out the top 10, according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, are: sweet corn (13.7 pounds), cucumbers (11.6 pounds), onions (9.2), cabbage (8.8), carrots (7.7), snap beans (7.7) and celery (7.2).

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A medium potato also provides about one-third as much vitamin C as an orange.

TOMATOES are a good source of potassium, yet one tomato has only 35 calories and provides nearly one-half the vitamin C and one-fifth the vitamin A we require each day.

LETTUCE is a good source of fiber. In addition, a serving of dark green lettuce — the most nutritious

kind — provides 10 percent of our daily requirements of vitamins A and C.

SWEET CORN isn't particularly rich in any nutrient, but it does provide some vitamin A and also is a source of fiber.

CUCUMBERS are a good snack for the weight-conscious — there are only 55 calories in one pound. They're also rich in vitamin C. You should always serve them with the peel on because it contains vitamin A and iron.

ONIONS contain calcium, phosphorus, iron and vitamins A and C, as well as the B vitamins thiamine, riboflavin and niacin. An average-size onion contains fewer than 50 calories.

CABBAGE aids digestion and

helps clean the teeth and gums when eaten raw. One-half cup of freshly shredded cabbage has only 12 calories — but provides more than 50 percent of your daily requirement of vitamin C.

CARROTS provide a wealth of vitamin A.

One medium carrot, for example, contains 15,000 units of vitamin A — three times the RDA.

SNAP BEANS aren't outstanding in any particular nutrient, but are good for dieters because one pound contains only 123 calories.

CELERY is ideal nibbling food, with only seven calories in an eight-inch stick.

In addition, it contains vitamins C and A.

— PETER JUDD

COMMUNITY WORKERS DEFEND ACCUSED...

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Eighteen high-ranking officers have been transferred out of the Precinct and five officers, including a Lieutenant, have been indicted on assault charges.

"Let's give the police the same chance we give criminals — they are innocent until proven guilty," Brandolino said.

The Legal Aid Society said Sunday a sixth alleged stun gun victim, who had been arrested by officers from the 106th Precinct on charges of selling drugs, has come forward and would meet with investigators.

The man, who has not been identified, claims to have been tortured by two of the

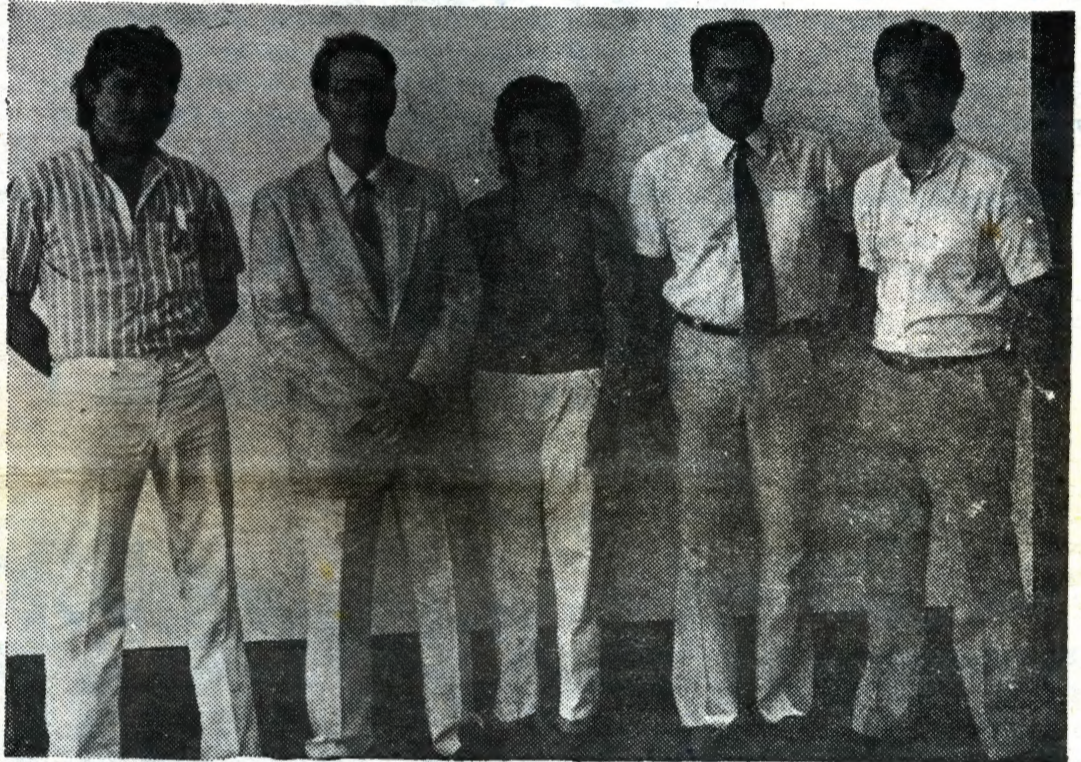
officers named in last week's indictment, Sergeant Richard Pike and officer Jeffrey Gilbert. Pike has been alleged to be the instigator of the use of the stun gun and has been dubbed "The Prince of Pain."

The District Attorney's office confirmed the new victim would be interviewed.

In another development in the case, the Reverend Herbert Daughtry and U.S. Representatives Charles Rangel and Major Owen asked U.S. Attorney Rudolph Giuliani for a full-scale investigation of the police department.

Charles Barron, a spokesman for Daughtry, said the group wants the entire department investigated.

ARUBA'S P.D.A. PARTY INSTALLS A NEW DIRECTORATE



Partido Democratico Arubano, founded March 27, 1982, has instituted two committees ("Women for Democracy" and "Youth for Democracy") in connection with its third birthday and also the opening of its headquarters (Center for Democracy) at Boerhaavestraat 14, Oranjestad. The just-installed new Directorate of the party which did surprisingly well in the last island elections is seen above. Left to right are Treasurer Sr. Servito Thijsen, President Dr. Leonard Berlinski, Commissioner Sra. Carla Paris-Arends, Secretary-General Drs. Frank A.J. Booi, and Commissioner-Coordinator General Sr. Aru'uro Oduber.

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The YMCA of Dakota will hold its annual bake sale on Saturday, May 11, dedicated to Mother's Day. Starting at 11 a.m. Saturday, the Aruban community will be

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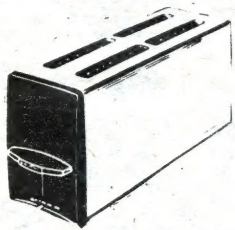
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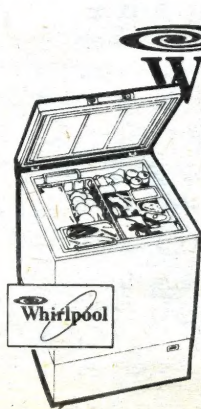
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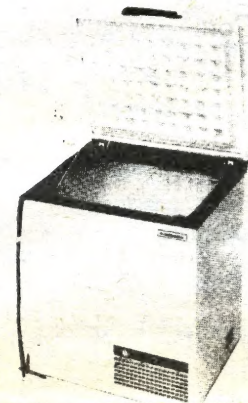
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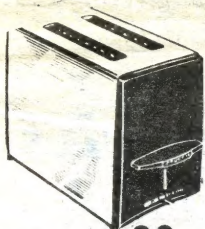
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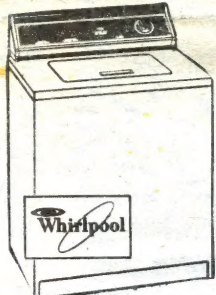
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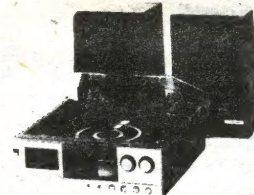
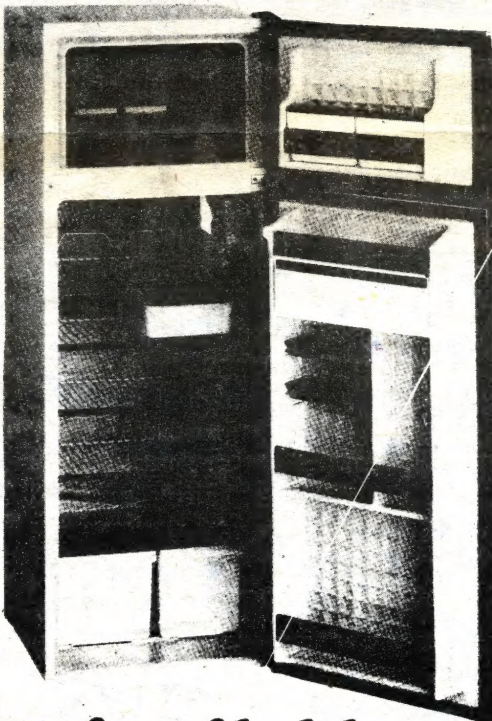
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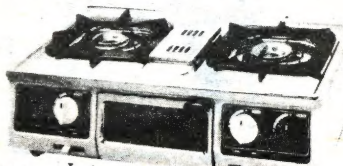
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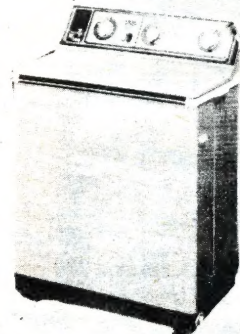
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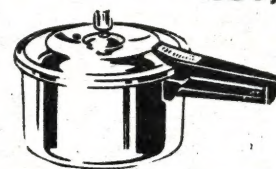
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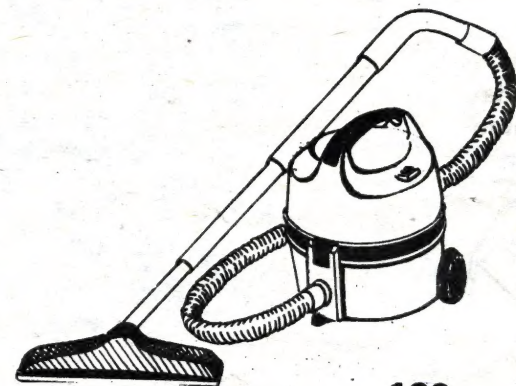
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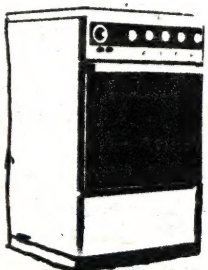
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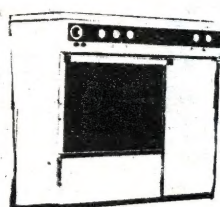
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U.S. employment stays same

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The U.S. unemployment rate in April did not lower but held steady at a soring 7.3 percent for the third straight

"Contras" kill child and wound 3 others

MANAGUA, Nicaragua — (UPI) — U.S.-backed rebels fighting to overthrow Nicaragua have killed two militiamen and a nine-year-old girl, and wounded four persons in a late-night ambush of a northern town, the Defense Ministry said today.

"Rebels attacked Somotillo at midnight Monday, killing three peasants.

"Four other peasants were wounded, including three small children less than five years of age," the Ministry statement said.

One of the dead is a nine-year-old girl and the two other fatalities were members of the civilian Sandinista Militia, the Ministry said.

Somotillo, in Chinandega Province, 72 miles north of Managua, is part of an area of intense border fighting between 15,000 U.S.-backed rebels and government troops.

month, the Labor Department confessed today.

The size of the work force and the number of people unemployed—8.4 million—remained the same as in March.

The figures confirm the overall slow-down in the U.S. economy as well as the continuing damage U.S. industry is suffering because of attractively priced imports.

POLICE OFFICE ...

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jacks in the station house, in police cars and on the street.

District Attorney John Santucci said the one charge common to all five men was "conspiracy to inflict abuse on persons in their custody."

The police brutality scandal has triggered a barrage of firings, transfers and abrupt retirements that have reached to the No. 3 spot in the nation's largest police force. At least two dozen top-ranking officers have been disciplined in the shake-up.

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